



ABOUT WARD 4

Tucson's Ward 4 is represented by Vice Mayor Shirley C. Scott. Shirley has represented the Ward since 1995 and is honored to continue serving the constituents of Ward 4 and the City of Tucson.

In the Know

Summer Job?

LIFEGUARD



Looking for your first job this summer, or maybe it's more like your parents are looking for your first job. Either way, have you considered a job as a lifeguard? City of Tucson Summer Lifeguard Recruitment Process is still going on.

There are two more sessions. Saturday, April 5th at 9am and

Saturday, May 3rd at 9am. Now there are a few things you will need to have when you apply or attend one of these screenings. You must hold a current certification in American Red Cross Lifeguarding, First Aid, and CPR/FPR certificates. If you already have your W.S.I. certification, bring that with you, along with your swimsuit and towel.

You should have knowledge of contact skills, including defenses, approaches, escapes, carries without equipment, ability to turn c-spine victims in deep water and swim to the side 30' without equipment. If you don't have these skills or the certifications, don't worry you can get them. There are still weekend classes being held for becoming a Lifeguard/ W.S.I., starting on March 29th from 8am - noon. All of the classes must be taken in order to get your certification.

If you would like more information on this job opportunity please call 791-4245. On-line applications are available at <http://www.tucsonaz.gov/sigma/JobListings.aspx>.

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Eagle Pride



Did you graduate an Eagle or maybe you know someone that did, or will be? If you were or weren't doesn't matter, because what you can do is help out the next generation of Eagles. Santa Rita High School would like to invite you to their Santa Rita's Campus Beautification Day. This is a day of

celebration where students, faculty, staff and parents' get to get their hands dirty. There will be landscaping that needs to be done, some planting and painting and overall general cleanup.

Wear comfortable clothing and bring your gloves, shovels, rakes, etc. With all this hard work comes free lunch. If you're interested, here is what you do. Show up March 29th at Santa Rita High School. In case you don't know where that is, it's located at 3951 S. Pantano Rd.; simply it's on the corner of Pantano and Escalante. Start time is 8am and it plans to go till 4:30pm. If you would like more information dial 731-7500, and don't forget to bring your Eagle pride!



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Another W



Walmart had its 4th store opened in Ward 4 on Wednesday,

March 12 at Houghton Town Center. Diamond Ventures along with the community were there for the grand opening. Walmart gave away \$6,000 to our local community as well as provided 200 more jobs. We are happy that Walmart was able to open another store in our Ward and we look forward to seeing the rest of the business go up and bring in more businesses for the residents in Ward 4.

TPD Gets More Social

Recently TPD made a little posting on their FB page, letting the community know they were going to take a more proactive step to improve the quality and quantity of content in the respects to their FB page and Twitter page. Here is a little of what was posted on FB:

"Day in and day out, the men and women of the Tucson Police Department do great things for our community. Often times, most of the work we do goes unnoticed by the public. We are dedicated to changing this and allowing our community to hear more about the work we do. Moving forward we will be highlighting Department related events, activities, and providing more crime prevention information; but most notably will be our effort to highlight the work typically unseen by the public... With that said, we want to thank you all for following and supporting us for all these years. We look forward to a future where the Citizens of Tucson and the Tucson Police Department will join forces and make our city a better place."

Well said! We know how hard TPD works for us, and every little action taken makes a great deal in our community. If you have time you should read the full post. If you would like to follow TPD, click "Like" on their FB page <http://on.fb.me/1esjxOr>. If you're more of a Twitter kind of person, then follow here <http://bit.ly/N6KEXE>.



One of the most common questions I receive as a City of Tucson Council Member is "How will you vote on..." For the past 19 years I have always given the same answer. I make my decisions at the table of the Mayor and Council meetings. We are given new information up to the minute prior to the vote. It is important for me to hear from all constituents affected by policy decisions, so I know I am making the right vote for the entire City. I encourage you to contact my office and voice your opinion on any of the agenda items scheduled to be discussed at the Mayor and Council meetings. Here's what's coming up on the next Mayor and Council scheduled for March 25, 2014:

* This is a special meeting to be held at Mayor & Council chambers in regards to the general fund budget. This meeting will start approximately at 4:30 p.m. This will be televised and you can watch the live stream at www.tucson12.tv.

*The following meeting will be April 8, 2014. At the time of the posting of this newsletter, the Mayor and Council Agenda had not been finalized. Here is a link when it is available, <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs>.

As always please contact the Ward 4 office with any questions or concerns.



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SUPERSTAR

In addition to her responsibilities at General Services, Penny is deeply committed to organizing the Red Cross Blood Drives held at the Price Service Center. Penny has a passion for her job and is actively engaged in the issues that face our organization. This is why I think Penny is a Superstar! - Lane Mandle.



1) What is your name, title and how long have you worked for the City?

My name is Penny Watts. I have worked for the City for a total of 6 ½ years and served in three different departments, City Attorney as a paralegal, Housing and Community Development as a Senior Accountant, and General Services as the Human Resources Coordinator (Staff Assistant).

2) Who would you like to trade jobs within the City and why?

I'm not sure there is anyone I would like to trade jobs with. The job I do is very fulfilling and the people I work with and under couldn't be better.

3) What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?

Getting to call applicants and offer them a job.

4) Tell me a little about the blood drive? Do you volunteer for it?

I have always been a staunch believer in the benefits of donating blood and when I was asked if I would be willing to take over as blood drive coordinator for Thomas O Price Service Center, I didn't hesitate. All blood drive coordinators are volunteers, just like blood donors.

5) When you were 7 years old, what did you dream your job would be?

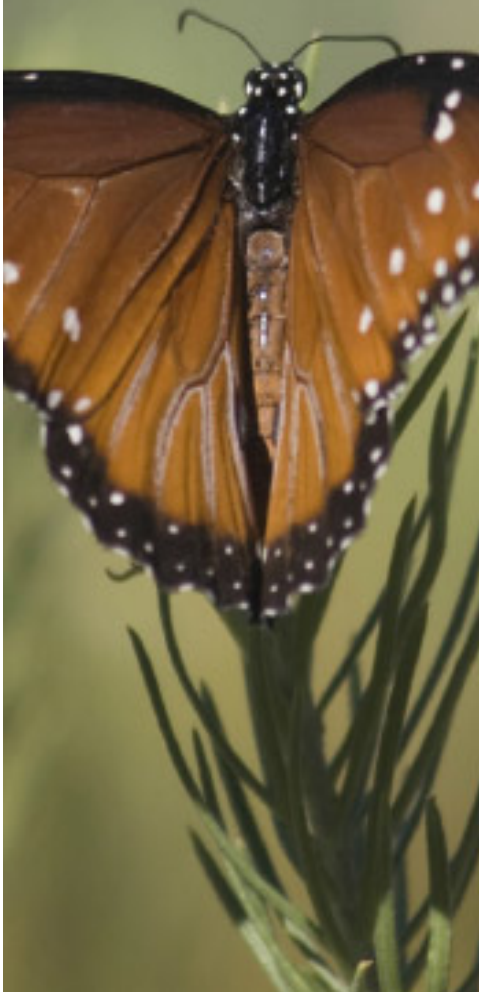
I grew up on a farm and at 7, I only thought about being a cowboy and taking care of the land and animals.

6) What song are you sing out loud to in your car?

Many – but a couple that immediately come to mind are Time in a Bottle by Jim Croce and Old Time Rock and Roll by Bob Seger.

7) Are you married, have kids or pets?

I am married, have an adult step-son, and currently have no pets.



Fix a Leak

During the week of March 17-23, Tucson Water is reminding people to "Fix a Leak." You would be surprised by the amount of water collectively lost through minor household leaks. So if you noticed a leak, even the smallest of leaks, then get that fixed.

Tucson Water's "Fix a Leak Week" web page (tucsonaz.gov/water/fix-leak-week), has links to online calculators for measuring the impact of drips and leaks. There is also a "Family Fact Sheets" in English and Spanish for finding and fixing leaks. Two helpful hints from Tucson Water:

1. "Drop a blue dye tab in a toilet tank. If the bowl water also turns blue, the toilet flapper is leaking."
2. "Make sure the water is turned off in the house, then check the water meter for any movement. These are things homeowners can do on a regular basis."

Tucson Water offers its customers a free individualized survey of home water use. To request and schedule, call (520) 791-3242 or e-mail TW_CustomerService@tucsonaz.gov.

8) What are some of your hobbies?

I enjoy lots of activities such as bicycling, bowling, walking, and brain games.

9) What should people know about your department?

The General Services Department is comprised of the Architecture and Engineering Division, Facilities and Communications Maintenance Division, Fleet Services Division, and the Director's Office, of which I am a member. We continually strive for excellence and our overall goal is to provide excellent customer service. While there are high expectations of all employees, there exists an open and transparent work environment that encourages collaboration, achievement, and a high level of job satisfaction.

10) When you get to retire, what will be the first thing you do?

I feel like I get to do most of what I want to do now, so I'll have to wait until that time comes to make that decision.

Is there anything you would like to add?

I would just like to encourage everyone who is able to give the gift of life and donate blood and platelets. It is very easy and for those in need, a true life saver.

Thank you Penny for the great work you do and for being our Superstar! If you know a City Employee that has doing a great job, then nominate them so we can say thank you!

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A Battle Lost

The Tucson Fire Department is mourning the loss of Fire Investigator, Tom Quesnel. Tom passed away on March 14, 2014 after a courageous battle against cancer. Tom began his career with Tucson Fire in 1989 and became a fire cause investigator in 1994. He was scheduled to retire at the end of next year. Tom was nationally known for his knowledge and expertise while investigating major fires throughout the Southwest. Additionally, Tom worked with his favorite investigative tools- his accelerant-detecting canines, Sully and Keta. Tom's illness was determined to be work-related; therefore his death is being considered a line-of-duty death. Tucson Fire will fly flags at half-staff and members will wear badge shrouds to honor the life and career of Investigator Tom Quesnel.

To his family and friends, we are sorry for your loss. And to the community we have lost a hero.



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Coming UP...

Tucson Winter Chamber Musical Festival

Fri, March 21, 7:30pm, Leo Rich Theatre, 260 S. Church
Featuring Martin Beaver, Bernadene Blaha and more. For more events happening at TCC, link up at www.tucsonaz.gov/tcc

YOUNG FLYERS FUN

Wed, March 26, 10AM - 11AM,
6000 E. Valencia Rd.

This program introduces children (4-7 years old) to the world of Aviation and Aerospace through gallery activities and tours, story books, demos, and hands-on craft projects that can be taken home. Program Free with paid or member admission. Reservations required. Contact: Mina Stafford, mstafford@pimaair.org.

Tucson Fire Fighter Ball

Sat, March 29, 5p.m.-1:00am,
3800 W. Starr Pass.

If you are looking to help sponsor an event, then this is one fun event to sponsor. This event helps to raise funds to benefit the Fire Fighter Charities. If you would like to just attend and support TFF, you can purchase individual tickets. For more info, <https://secure.unasecure.net/activestore/index.cfm?start=yes&siteID=iafflocal479>

Road Work Update by MJ Dillard

HOUGHTON, IRVINGTON TO VALENCIA

Over the past month we have received a lot of calls on a daily basis. The first round of calls wanted to know why people were restricted to one lane in each direction when the entire pavement was down, and demanded that we open it up, bumps and all. Then we open all the lanes, and now we are getting 20 calls a day asking why we finished the job with bumps in the road and saying that bumps are a problem for their suspensions.

As we mentioned before: The bumps are as a result of the final asphalt in the intersections and we are waiting for the first week in April to put down the rubberized asphalt in the low spots.

We checked this out again today, and the only thing we could do regarding the bumps is to make the tapers longer at the asphalt transitions. This is going to be a big expensive effort for a 4-mile job, so we are going to hold off on that unless there is any hint of a delay in putting down the rubberized asphalt. If there is, we will work on those tapers. The other option would be to slow traffic back down to 25mph, and we know everyone doesn't want that.

As you can see, we have landscapers out working on the irrigation and the planting will start very soon. Also, we are wrapping up the final manhole and valve work, along with other small wrap up work.

We know this is short notice, but we had an unexpected opportunity to fix the manhole at Civano Boulevard starting tomorrow. This will require us to close that off for two days so we can adjust the manhole, bring in the asphalt that surrounds it, and let it set up. This work will be done by Friday. We appreciate your patience.

You may have also noticed the various "holes" in the roadway with barricading around them. These are valves that need adjusting, like a manhole, only smaller. We have completed 20 of these and have 25 more to go. They should be completed this week. This will also get some of the additional barricades out of the way.

We are hearing that the Art work is scheduled for installation the first week in April, and will keep you informed on the date this will happen. I am not sure how we can get everyone in to see it, as there will be a large crane, and concrete trucks, along with traffic barricading for safety, but we will see what we can do to provide an area for viewing.

As always, we appreciate your patience, and feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Please contact MJ Dillard at mj.dillard@tucsonaz.gov.

In the 411

Eastside Police Substation – 791-5700

9670 E. Golf Links

For additional information in regards to tickets or other departments within the Tucson Police Department log on to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/police>

Transportation (TDOT) - 791-4259

201 N. Stone Ave. 5th Floor.

Got a question about construction, traffic, streets, graffiti removal, landscaping, stormwater, RTA or anything along these lines? Visit

<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/transportation> to get more info.

Environmental Services - 791-3171

Information on trash, recycling, landfills, brush and bulky and even neighborhood cleanups is what you can find here. They even do Hazardous Household Waste Collections. Visit <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/es> for more info.

Tucson Water - 791-4331

310 W. Alameda St.

Have questions on billing, water conservation, water quality or general service, then call the public info line or check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/water>

Williams Clements Center - 791-5758 or 791-4730

8155 E. Poinciana

There is a lot happening here! Additional information, including calendar of events, go to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/parksandrec/clements>

Miller-Golf Links Branch Library - 594-5355

9640 E. Golf Links Rd

Get info of scheduled events or what's currently happening at this library. Better yet go to www.library.pima.gov/locations/golflinks

Pima Council on Aging - 790-7262

8467 E. Broadway

This is a great place that offers programs and services to older adults and their families living in Pima County. Learn more about this great organization by going to www.pcoa.org

Code Enforcement - 791 - 4171

310 N. Commerce Park Loop

Chapter 16 and 3 fo the City Code is what they enforce. If you suspect property or housing violations within the City give them a buzz or go online for more information or to make a complaint at <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/hcd/code-enforcement>

Graffiti Removal Program - 792 - 2489

If you see someone "tagging" call 911. If The graffiti is already there, then call the number above to report it. Check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/graffiti> for more information on removal or reporting.

